

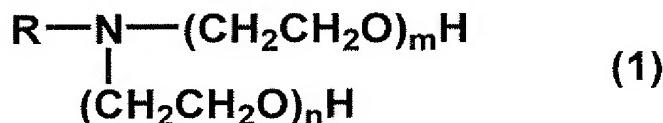
*AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS*

1. (Currently Amended) A rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition for contacting with a part to be cleaned to which at least one oil selected from the group consisting of ~~grease base~~ ~~grease-based oil~~, ~~naphthene base~~ ~~naphthene-based mineral oil~~, ~~paraffin base~~ ~~paraffin-based~~ mineral oil, poly- $\alpha$ -olefin, polyol ester, and polydimethyl siloxane attaches, and the composition separating the oil from the part, while providing the part with a rust-preventive property, thus forming an oil layer containing the oil, the composition comprising:

(X) an ethylene oxide additive of monoalkyl amine represented by the general formula (1), and

(Y) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of [::]  
an N-monoalkyl-N-(2-hydroxyalkyl)-iminoethylene carboxylate having a hydrocarbon group with the number of carbon atoms from 8 to 22; an acylated amino acid salt having a hydrocarbon group with the number of carbon atoms from 8 to 22; an alkyloyl sarcosinate having a hydrocarbon group with the number of carbon atoms from 8 to 22, and a tall oil fatty acid salt[.].

[Chemical Formula 1]



(in the general formula (1), wherein R designates an alkyl group having a straight chain or a side chain with the number of carbon atoms from 7 to 9, m designates an integer from 0 to 2, n designates an integer from 0 to 2, and (m + n) designates an integer from 1 to 3. [ ])])

2. (Currently Amended) The rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition according to claim 1, wherein the (m + n) in the general formula (1) is an integer of 1 or 2.

3. (Currently Amended) The rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the R in the general formula (1) is a 2-ethylhexyl group.

4. (Currently Amended) The rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition in any one of claims according to claim 1 to 3, wherein the mass ratio of the (X) component and the (Y) component[.], have a mass ratio [(Wx)/(Wy)][.], is in a range from 3/7 to 7/3.

5. (Currently Amended) A cleaning method comprising ~~the steps of:~~:

placing a part to be cleaned to which oil is attached ~~to~~in contact with a cleaning liquid containing the rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition according to ~~any one of claims~~claim 1; to 4

~~and to separate~~separating the oil from the part, while providing the part with a rust-preventive property;

~~and forming~~ forming an oil layer containing the oil; and

reusing an aqueous layer as the cleaning liquid, wherein the aqueous layer is obtained by removing the oil layer from the cleaning liquid after ~~contacting~~contact with the part, ~~as the cleaning liquid.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The cleaning method according to claim 5, wherein the ~~cleaning liquid has a pH, and the pH of the cleaning liquid containing the rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition is adjusted to 7.5 or higher~~ ~~larger~~.